

# TREE HEALTH DAY

**Date:**

Thursday 3rd October 2013

**Time:**

0930-1600 hrs

**Location:**

Lochter Activity Centre  
Old Meldrum  
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There will be no charge for this event.

Tea, coffee and a soup/sandwich lunch will be provided.

**Forest Research** **New tree Pests and Diseases**

**Current outbreaks February 2013**

**Widespread throughout Britain**

Web link to Current Outbreaks Information: <http://www.forestry.gov.uk/phytophthora>

Phytophthora video - "Stop the spread" 18:37 mins: <http://youtu.be/5H4Pw2en0k>

Phytophthora page on Forestry Commission website: [www.forestry.gov.uk/phytophthora](http://www.forestry.gov.uk/phytophthora)

[www.forestry.gov.uk/pestsanddiseases](http://www.forestry.gov.uk/pestsanddiseases)

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This seminar will provide the opportunity for you to hear the latest information on the new (and sometimes old) pests and diseases threatening our trees and forests. Speakers will explain the current situation in Scotland, ongoing monitoring work, biosecurity requirements, and there will be a site visit to view pest and disease issues in the field.

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**0930 – Registration, tea/coffee**

**1000 - Welcome and introduction –** Steve Penny, Forest Research

**1010 - Overview and Scottish context –** Hugh Clayden, Forestry Commission Scotland

**1030 – Current pathology threats to tree species in Scotland –** Including Chalara Dieback of Ash, Phytophthora (affecting larch and other species) and DNB in pine - Dr Anna Brown, Forest Research

– **Tree health monitoring** – The basics of what to look for as indicators of when things may be going wrong as a result of pests or disease; how to monitor these; how to report them and to whom - Dr Anna Brown, Forest Research

**1130 – Comfort break** (Tea/Coffee)

**1145 – Insect pests of trees in Scotland: the auld and the new –** An over view of current threats but not forgetting the impact existing pests can/do have - Dr Roger Moore, Forest Research

**1230 – GB overview and biosecurity measures – what does it mean for you –** Nick Mainprize, FC Plant Health

**1300 – Lunch and prepare for field visit**

**1345 – Site visit –** practical biosecurity measures (Paddy Robertson, FCS Tree Health) and visit to local site to view pest and disease issues in the field – Dr Anna Brown & Dr Roger Moore, Forest Research.

**1600 – Finish**

**Clothing for site visit:** Attendees should bring suitable outdoor clothing for the site visit in the afternoon. To assist with **biosecurity** measures, it would be helpful if attendees ensure that their footwear is clean before arrival (no attached mud etc). Wellington boots are most suitable. All footwear will be subject to appropriate cleaning/disinfection procedures prior to and after the site visit. Visits may be to operational work sites therefore delegates are asked to bring high viz waistcoat/jacket and hard hat. Thank you for your help.